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ATTACHMENT VII

NUMBER PORTABILITY

Section 1. Provision of Number Portability

1.1 Each Party shall provide LNP to the other Party in accordance with Applicable Law and this Agreement. If the Parties mutually agree that LERG Reassignment, performed in accordance with Section 3 of this Attachment VII, is the optimal method for moving a subscriber's telephone number(s) from a Bell Atlantic switch to an MCIm switch, the Parties may forgo the use of LNP.

~~Number Portability in accordance with Applicable Law. Currently available Interim Number Portability ("INP") shall also be provided by each Party to the other in accordance with Applicable Law. Each Party shall use commercially reasonable efforts to provide INP with a minimum impairment of functionality, quality, reliability, and convenience to subscribers of each other's services.~~

~~1.2 The donor Party will provide the porting Party INP and NP for subscribers moving to a different location (where Technically Feasible for INP), or staying at the same location, within the same Rate Center area. INP and NP are not available for other purposes, such as the creation of new vanity numbers.~~

Section 2. ~~Interim Number Portability ("INP")~~ Long-Term Number Portability ("LNP")

~~2.1 Each Party shall make available INP by Remote Call Forwarding ("RCF"), Flex Direct Inward Dialing ("FLEX DID"), or LERG reassignment (in full NXX codes only). The porting Party must order the appropriate services and facilities (e.g., trunk groups) from the donor Party. —~~

~~2.1.1 Remote Call Forwarding: RCF is an INP method to provide subscribers with service provider portability by redirecting calls within the telephone network. When RCF is used to provide INP, calls to the ported number will first route to the Party's Switch to which the ported number was previously assigned. Such Switch will then forward the call to a number associated with the porting Party's designated Switch to which the number is ported. Each Party may order additional paths to handle multiple simultaneous calls to the same ported telephone number.~~

~~2.1.2 FLEX DID is an INP method that makes use of direct inward dialing trunks. Each FLEX DID trunk group used for INP is dedicated to carrying traffic between the donor Party's Switch and the porting Party's Switch. Traffic on these trunks cannot overflow to other trunks, so the porting Party must order a trunk~~

~~group size it believes results in conservative engineering. Also, inter Switch signaling is usually limited to multi frequency ("MF"). This precludes passing calling line identification to the porting Party's Switch.~~

~~2.1.3 LERG Reassignment: Portability for an entire NXX of numbers shall be provided, when mutually agreed, by utilizing reassignment of the block to the porting Party through the Local Exchange Routing Guide ("LERG"). Updates to translations in the donor Party's switching offices from which the NXX code is reassigned will be made by the donor Party by the date on which national LERG changes become effective.~~

~~2.2 Other Currently Available Number Portability Provisions:~~

~~2.2.1 Each Party shall exchange with the other Party SS7 TCAP messages as required for the implementation of Custom Local Area Signaling Services ("CLASS") or other features available in the their respective networks, as are Technically Feasible to exchange.~~

~~2.2.2 Promptly following receipt of an INP order for a number served by a particular End Office Switch, each Party shall disclose to the other any technical or capacity limitations that would prevent use of a requested INP method in a particular switching office.~~

~~2.2.2.1 In all cases in which installation or removal of INP is to be coordinated with the installation, modification, or removal of another service (e.g., an Unbundled Local Loop), the Parties shall follow the coordination procedures set forth in Attachment VIII, Section 2.2.3.~~

~~2.2.3 When any INP method available hereunder is used to port a subscriber, the donor Party must maintain the LIDB record for that number to reflect appropriate conditions as reported to it by the porting Party and to provide such LIDB information in accordance with any LIDB agreement subsequently entered between the Parties.~~

~~2.2.4 The donor Party shall send a CARE transaction 2231 to notify the appropriate INX that access is now provided by the porting Party for that number.~~

~~2.2.5 The INP service offered herein shall not initially apply to NXX Codes 555, 915, 950, or 976, or for Feature Group A or coin telephone service, because of the special billing characteristics of such services. Upon a Bona Fide Request from either Party, the provisions of INP for these services will be mutually negotiated between the Parties and provided to the extent feasible under negotiated rates, terms, and conditions. INP shall not apply for any arrangement that would render the forwarded call toll traffic.~~

2.1 In connection with the provision of LNP, the Parties agree to support and comply with all relevant requirements or guidelines (including, but not limited to, number pooling guidelines) that may be adopted by the FCC or the NANC, or that may be accepted in the telecommunications industry as a national industry standard.

2.2 The Parties agree to provide LNP within the guidelines set forth by the generic technical requirements for LNP as specified in the following publications, which may be updated from time to time or replaced with other applicable documents that are generally accepted as the industry standard for LNP:

2.2.1 Generic Switching and Signaling Requirements for Number Portability, Issue 1.00, February 12, 1996 (Editor - Lucent Technologies, Inc.);

2.2.2 Generic Requirements for SCP Application and GTT Function for Number Portability, Issue 0.31, Final Draft, March 24, 1996 (Editor - Ameritech Inc.);

2.2.3 Generic Operator Services Switching Requirements for Number Portability, Issue 1.00, Final Draft, April 12, 1996 (Editor - Nortel); and

2.2.4. LNP provisioning agreements established under applicable industry, local number portability, operational or technical fora.

2.3 NPAC. Each Party shall sign the appropriate NPAC user agreement(s) and obtain certification from the appropriate NPAC administrator(s) that the Party or the Party's Service Order Administration (SOA) and Local Service Management System (LSMS) vendor(s) have systems and equipment that are compatible with the NPAC's established protocols and that the application of such systems and equipment is compatible with the NPAC. This certification will be renewed with each NPAC software release.

2.4 Ordering. To port a telephone number using LNP, the Parties shall adhere to the following procedures:

2.4.1 The New Service Provider shall submit a complete and accurate LSR to the Old Service Provider for each subscriber that is to be ported in accordance with the ordering procedures set forth in Attachment VIII. Bell Atlantic shall, at a minimum, comply with LSOG version 2. If and when Bell Atlantic updates its ordering processes to a more current LSOG version or another mutually agreeable standard, Bell Atlantic will comply with the change management and control procedures and processes set forth in Section 1.3 of Attachment VIII.

2.4.2 Each LSR will include the Service Provider Identification ("SPID") of the New Service Provider that the New Service Provider would also provide to the NPAC. Each Party shall provide to the other Party advance written notice of any changes in its SPID.

2.4.3 Each Party shall note on the LSR any Reserved or Suspended Numbers to be ported using LRN.

2.4.4 For Typical LNP Orders, the Old Service Provider shall acknowledge receipt of each LSR within two business days after the date of the LSR by issuing an LR or a rejection of the LSR.

2.4.5 If the Old Service Provider is unable to meet the deadline for providing an LR, it shall contact the New Service Provider within the two business day LR interval and indicate it has received the order, and the Parties will negotiate a mutually agreeable LR delivery time.

2.4.6 Order rejections by Bell Atlantic must detail any and all errors identified in any of the LSR's data fields and any other reason(s) for the rejection.

2.4.7 For all Typical LNP Orders, the standard interval for processing and completing the port will be five business days after receipt of the LSR; provided, however, that if the LSR specifies a Desired Due Date that is later than the standard interval of five business days, the order will be completed on such desired due date, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the New Service Provider.

2.4.8 For Non-Typical LNP Orders, the intervals for issuing an LR and for completing the port will be determined by the mutual written agreement of the Parties on a case-by-case basis.

2.4.9 Notwithstanding anything in this Section 2.4 to the contrary, in the case of Typical LNP Orders, where a port is for the first telephone number to be ported in a particular NPA-NXX, the standard interval for processing and completing the port will be five business days after the New Service Provider's receipt of the LR.

2.4.10 To the extent consistent with this Section 2.4, the Parties will comply with the ordering processes set forth in Attachment VIII and otherwise as established by OBF.

2.5 LNP Cutovers. Bell Atlantic shall provide MCIm with coordinated cutovers upon MCIm's written request. For the porting of a telephone number where a cutover has been requested, the Parties will adhere to the procedures set forth in Attachment VIII.

2.6 Cooperative Testing of LNP. Either Party may request cooperative pre-service testing of LNP. The Parties shall perform pre-service provisioning testing in full cooperation with each other.

2.7 Network Issues

2.7.1 After an end-office becomes equipped with LNP, all NXXs assigned to that end office will be defined as portable, to the extent technically feasible, and translations will be changed in each Party's switches so that the portable NXXs are available for LNP database queries. When an NXX is defined as portable, it will also be defined as portable in all LNP-capable switches that have direct trunks to the end office associated with the portable NXX.

2.7.2 If a Party causes an NXX to become portable, that Party shall provide notice via the LERG to the other Party that the NXX is now portable and indicate the date on which the NXX became portable. The foregoing obligation may not be relieved by the relevant NPAC broadcasting or otherwise providing notice that a particular NXX has become portable using LNP.

2.7.3 In connection with all LNP requests, the Parties agree to comply with the National Emergency Number Association ("NENA") Recommended Standards for Service Provider Local Number Portability (NENA-02-006), as may be updated from time to time, regarding unlocking and updating subscribers' telephone number records in the 911/Automatic Location Information ("ALI") database.

2.7.4 During the process of porting a subscriber using LNP, the Old Service Provider shall implement the ten-digit trigger feature where technically feasible. When the Old Service Provider receives a request to port a telephone number, the Old Service Provider shall apply the ten-digit trigger to the porting subscriber's line prior to the Desired Due Date. This action is to avoid call failures resulting from post-cutover translation errors caused by the Old Service Provider's switch indicating that the subscriber continues to be served by this switch. The timing for removal of the line translations, and the unconditional ten-digit trigger by the Old Service Provider, will occur simultaneously after the successful NPAC download of the ported information.

2.7.5 When an activation notice is sent to an NPAC to trigger a broadcast to service provider databases, the Old Service Provider shall make every reasonable effort to update its database with the new routing information for the subscriber's line loaded within fifteen (15) minutes after the Service Management System ("SMS") of the Old Service Provider receives the broadcast.

2.7.6 After a telephone number has been ported using LNP, the Old Service Provider shall remove the subscriber information associated with that telephone number from the Old Service Provider's LIDB.

2.8 Signaling. In connection with LNP, each Party agrees to use SS7 signaling in accordance with the Generic Switching and Signaling Requirements for Number Portability, Issue 1.00, February 12, 1996 (Editor - Lucent Technologies, Inc.). In addition, each Party shall provide to the other Party the first six-digits of the originating LRN in the jurisdiction information parameter in the initial address message. The Parties shall create global title translations to protect against SS7 message looping. In cases where a Party is using a third party as its Hub Provider, the Party shall require its Hub Provider to adjust its screening of the SS7 messages that it receives to ensure that the SS7 messages associated with ported numbers are not blocked and are relayed, or responded to, even when unfamiliar combinations or sources and destinations are involved. Each Party shall confirm that its Hub Provider has removed inappropriate screening restrictions from its systems to prevent failures of SS7 messages associated with calls or queries involving ported numbers.

2.10 Limits on Subscriber Relocation. MCI and Bell Atlantic agree that a subscriber may geographically relocate its number at the same time as it ports its telephone number, using LNP, to the New Service Provider; provided, however, that the Old Service Provider may require that the subscriber's relocation at the time of the port to the New Service Provider be limited to the geographic area represented by the NXX of the ported telephone number. The Old Service Provider may not impose a relocation limitation on the New Service Provider or the New Service Provider's subscribers that is more restrictive than that which the Old Service Provider would impose upon its own subscribers with telephone numbers having the same NXX as the telephone number(s) being ported. In addition, the Old Service Provider may not impose any restrictions on relocation by a ported subscriber while that subscriber is served by the New Service Provider.

2.11 Porting of Reserved Numbers and Suspended Lines. The subscribers of each Party may port Reserved Numbers or suspended lines from one Party to the other Party via LNP. In anticipation of porting from one Party to the other Party, a Party's subscriber may reserve additional telephone numbers and include them with the numbers that are subsequently ported to the other Party. If a subscriber's line is a suspended line, the Old Service Provider shall make the line active, as necessary to apply the ten-digit trigger, without requiring the subscriber or the New Service Provider to make any payment for this limited reactivation.

2.12 Splitting of Number Groups. If blocks of subscriber numbers (including, but not limited to, DID numbers and Centrex groups) get split in connection with an LNP request, the Parties shall permit such splitting and may not impose any fees on the other Party or the subscriber. In addition, the numbers remaining (i.e., not ported) will continue to function under the service arrangement that existed before the porting.

2.13. Cost Recovery for LNP. The Parties shall comply with any and all Applicable Law regarding the ability to charge for the requests for or provision of LNP. Pursuant to

the FCC rules and regulations regarding LNP, each Party shall bear its own costs in connection with requests for and provision of LNP.

2.14 Conversion from INP to LNP. To the extent that the Parties are providing INP to existing subscribers of the other Party, the Parties shall commence good faith negotiation of a mutually acceptable process and time frame for converting previously ported subscribers from INP to LNP, ensuring that the INP service is not removed until the subscriber has been converted to LNP. Notwithstanding anything in the preceding sentence to the contrary, neither Party may be required by the other Party to complete the conversion of a subscriber from INP to LNP in less than one hundred eighty (180) days. Until INP subscribers are converted to LNP, the New Service Provider will continue to pay the Old Service Provider for INP at the rates set forth in Attachment I of this Agreement.

2.15 White and Yellow Page Listings. Bell Atlantic shall provide and maintain one white page and one yellow page (if applicable) listing for each subscriber that has ported its number from Bell Atlantic. The listing and handling of listed and nonlisted telephone numbers will be at least at Parity.

2.16 Engineering and Maintenance. Bell Atlantic and MCI will cooperate to ensure (i) that performance of trunking and signaling capacity is engineered and managed at levels which are at least at Parity; and (ii) that effective maintenance testing is used through activities such as routine testing practices, network trouble isolation processes, and review of operational elements for translations, routing and network fault isolation. Additional specific engineering and maintenance requirements may apply as specified in this Agreement.

Section 3. ~~Number Portability ("NP")~~ LERG Reassignment

3.1 If the Parties elect to use LERG Reassignment as the method to move a subscriber's telephone numbers from one Party's switch to the other Party's switch in a particular instance, the Parties shall: (i) enter into a separate written agreement that must address, among other issues, ordering processes and specific implementation procedures for the reassignment of the appropriate NXX as shown in the LERG, to the New Service Providers switch; and (ii) implement LERG Reassignment at no additional cost to the Party receiving the newly assigned NXX.

~~3.1 The Parties acknowledge that they disagree on the form of NP that should be adopted and prescribed by the FCC, and accordingly hereby reserve their rights to advocate their respective positions before legislative, judicial, and regulatory bodies, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement. To the extent that this Agreement includes provisions regarding the implementation of the Location Routing Number ("LRN") method of NP, such provisions shall apply only if it is ordered that LRN shall be deployed in Virginia, and only to the extent required by FCC Rules and Regulations, and~~

~~the presence of such provisions in this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of Bell Atlantic's position that LRN should not be deployed in Virginia. If another NP methodology is adopted for Virginia, the Parties shall promptly modify any provisions of this Agreement that refer to or assume the implementation of LRN to replace it with such other methodology.~~

~~3.2 The requirements for NP, when available, shall include the following:~~

~~3.2.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, each Party shall provide NP service in accordance with FCC Rules and Regulations.~~

~~3.2.2 To the extent required by FCC Rules and Regulations and to the extent Technically Feasible, the donor Party's NP network architecture shall not subject the porting Party to any degradation of service compared to the donor Party in any material measure, including switching and transmission quality, call set up time and post dial delay, and the porting Party shall not be required to rely on the donor Party's network for calls completing to its ported subscribers; provided, however, that a Query On Release system may be used by donor Party if expressly permitted under Applicable Law.~~

~~3.2.3 After an office is equipped with NP, and after an NXX is defined as portable, translations will be changed in the donor's LNP capable switches which trunk directly to such office to open the NXX(s) for database queries. Any NXX with at least one ported number in the NXX shall be defined as portable.~~

~~3.2.4 Upon introduction of LRN in a metropolitan statistical area/county, the associated tandems (local and access) shall be among the first converted, with no unreasonable delay. All portable NXXs shall be recognized in these tandems as portable, with queries launched from these switches.~~

~~3.2.5 During the process of porting a subscriber, the donor Party shall implement the 10 digit trigger feature when Technically Feasible. When the donor Party receives the porting request, it shall use reasonable efforts to apply the 10 digit trigger to the subscriber's line at least twenty four (24) hours prior to the order due date in order to facilitate the smooth transitioning of the subscriber to the new provider.~~

~~3.3 Joint Cooperation~~

~~3.3.1 At such time that NP is available, both MCI and Bell Atlantic shall:~~

~~3.3.1.1 Support emergency and Operator Services in a manner to be mutually agreed.~~

~~3.3.1.2 Use commercially reasonable efforts to use scarce numbering resources efficiently and administer such resources in a competitively neutral manner.~~

~~3.3.1.3 Cooperate with each other so that each carrier shall be able to rate and bill different types of calls.~~

~~3.3.1.4 Cooperate with each other to apply NP consistently.~~

~~3.3.1.5 Upon the agreement of the Parties or issuance of applicable FCC and/or Commission order(s) or regulations mandating the adoption of a NP arrangement, the Parties will commence migration from INP to the agreed upon or mandated NP arrangement as quickly as practically possible (and in any event no later than the migration dates set forth in the applicable FCC and/or Commission order(s) or regulations) while minimizing interruption or degradation of service to their respective subscribers. Once NP is implemented, either Party may withdraw, at any time and at its sole discretion, its INP offerings, subject to advance notice to the other Party and coordination to allow the seamless and transparent conversion of INP subscribers' numbers to NP. Upon implementation of NP pursuant to FCC or Commission regulation, both Parties agree to conform and provide such NP. To the extent NP rates or cost recovery mechanisms are not established by the applicable FCC or Commission order or regulation mandating the adoption of NP, the Parties will negotiate in good faith the charges or cost recovery mechanism for NP service at such time as a NP arrangement is adopted by the Parties.~~

~~3.4 Location Routing Number ("LRN")~~

~~3.4.1 If and to the extent that the FCC requires implementation of LRN as the NP methodology applicable in Virginia, Bell Atlantic and MCI will work cooperatively to implement an LRN NP solution when Technically Feasible.~~

~~3.4.2 A ten digit code, consistent with the North American Numbering Plan, called the location routing number ("LRN") shall be used as a network address for each Switch that terminates subscriber lines, (i.e., an End Office). LRN shall support existing six digit routing and may be implemented without changes to existing Switch routing algorithms. In existing End Offices, the LRN shall be selected from one of its existing NPA XXXs. New End Offices shall be assigned LRNs through normal administrative processes.~~

~~3.4.3 LRN employs an "N-1" query strategy for interLATA or intraLATA toll calls, by which the originating carrier will pass the call to the appropriate toll carrier who will perform a query to an external routing database and route the call to the appropriate terminating local carrier either directly or through an access~~

~~tandem office. For a local call to a ported number, the originating carrier is the "N-1" carrier. It will perform an external database query and pass the call to the appropriate terminating carrier. The "N-1" methodology will be used to extend portability on a phased, region by region basis and it does not place Bell Atlantic, MCI or other carriers needlessly in the call path.~~

~~3.4.4 The Parties shall furnish each other with the first six (6) digits of the originating LRN when they supply each other with the Jurisdiction Information Parameter ("JIP") in the Initial Address Message ("IAM"), assuming the necessary LRN software is available from the Switch manufacturer and is loaded in the specific Switch that will populate the JIP parameter per the timetable set by the FCC and Commission.~~

~~3.4.5 Each Party agrees to use commercially reasonable efforts to begin the introduction of LRN to end user subscribers who may begin changing local service providers and retaining their existing telephone number based on the time line set out by the FCC in its Telephone Number Portability Order (CC Docket No. 95-116), or as per a State order if such time for introduction of LRN set by the State is earlier than would result under the FCC Order.~~

~~3.5 Additional NP Requirements (when available)~~

~~3.5.1 In the absence of Query On Release, for local calls to a portable NXX, each Party shall query an external database as soon as the call reaches the first NP-capable Switch in the call path. An LRN-capable originating Switch shall query on a local call to a portable NXX native to another Central Office as soon as the LNP trigger is encountered and it is determined that it (the originating Switch) does not serve the dialed number.~~

~~3.6 SMS Administration~~

~~3.6.1 Each Party will work cooperatively with other local service providers to establish the NP service management system ("SMS"). The SMS shall be administered by a neutral third party, to provide for the efficient porting of numbers between carriers. Subject to Applicable Law, there must be one exclusive Number Portability Administration Center ("NPAC") per portability State or region, and each Party shall provide all information uploads and downloads regarding ported numbers to/from, respectively, the exclusive NPAC. Bell Atlantic and MCI shall cooperate to facilitate the expeditious deployment of LRN-based NP through the process prescribed by the FCC and the Commission, including, but not limited to, participation in the selection of a neutral third party and development of SMS, as well as SMS testing for effective procedures, electronic system interfaces, and overall readiness for use consistent with that specified for provisioning in this Agreement.~~

~~Section 4. Requirements for INP and NP~~

~~4.1 INP Cut Over Process~~

~~The following cut over coordination procedures shall apply for INP ported numbers. NP cut over procedures shall be reasonably agreed by the Parties at such time as the capability has been developed.~~

~~4.1.1 Upon request by the porting Party, the donor Party will apply the following coordination procedures to cut overs of ported numbers.~~

~~4.1.2 The porting Party shall request the porting of a number from the donor Party by delivering to the donor Party a valid electronic transmittal service order (when available) or another mutually agreed upon type of service order. Such service order shall be provided in accordance with industry format and specifications or such format and specifications as may be agreed to by the Parties. Within forty eight (48) hours of the donor Party's receipt of such valid service order, the donor Party shall provide the porting Party the firm order commitment date and time according to the installation time frames set forth in Section 4.2 below.~~

~~4.1.3 On each porting order, the Parties will agree on a cut over time at least forty eight (48) hours before that cut over. RCF cut over time will be defined as a fifteen (15) to thirty (30) minutes per line window within which both Parties will make telephone contact to complete the cut over. The cut over window for other methodologies will be agreed to by the Parties.~~

~~4.1.4 Within the appointed fifteen (15) to thirty (30) minute cut over time, the porting Party will call the donor Party to coordinate cut over work and when the donor Party is reached in that interval, such work will be promptly performed.~~

~~4.1.5 If the porting Party requires a change in scheduling, it must contact the donor Party to issue a supplement to the original order. The negotiations process to determine the date and time of cut over will then be reinitiated pursuant to Section 4.1.3 above.~~

~~4.1.6 If the porting Party is not ready within the appointed interval and if it had not called to reschedule the work at least two (2) hours prior to the start of the interval, the porting Party shall be liable for the non-recurring charge for such work for the missed appointment. In addition, non-recurring charges, if applicable, for the rescheduled appointment will apply.~~

~~4.1.7 If the donor Party is not available or not ready at any time during the appointed fifteen (15) to thirty (30) minute interval, the Parties will reschedule~~

~~and the donor Party will waive the non-recurring charge, if applicable, for such work whenever it is performed pursuant to an agreed-upon rescheduling.~~

~~4.1.8 Beginning nine (9) months from the Effective Date, if unusual or unexpected circumstances prolong or extend the time required to accomplish the coordinated cut-over, the Party responsible for such circumstances is responsible for the reasonable labor charges of the other Party. Delays caused by the subscriber are the responsibility of the porting Party.~~

~~4.2 Installation Time Frames~~

~~4.2.1 Installation time frames for RCF INP will be as follows:~~

~~4.2.1.1 Lines and Trunks:~~

~~4.2.1.1.1 For installations of RCF INP that are not installed and/or coordinated with in conjunction with any other service or service disconnect ordered from Bell Atlantic, installation time frames will be as follows: orders of 1-20 lines in four (4) business days; orders of 21-30 lines in seven (7) business days; orders over 30 lines will have an installment time frame as mutually agreed by the Parties; and~~

~~4.2.1.1.2 Notwithstanding Section 4.2.1.1.1, installation time frames for RCF INP when installed in conjunction with another service ordered from Bell Atlantic will be as follows: orders of 1-10 lines in six (6) business days; orders of 11-20 lines in ten (10) business days; orders of twenty-one (21) or more lines will have an installment time frame mutually agreed upon by the Parties.~~

~~4.2.1.2 The installation time frames set forth in Section 4.2.1.1 shall be applied as follows:~~

~~4.2.1.2.1 The time frames set forth in Section 4.2.1.1 shall apply on average to the order types and sizes specified therein; and~~

~~4.2.1.2.2 No individual order shall be installed in a time frame more than twice the length of the time frame specified in Section 4.2.1.1 for the order type and size, except in unusual circumstances. Unusual circumstances shall qualify to modify any time frame only to the extent that the unusual circumstances have comparable effects on Bell Atlantic's customer services and INP services for other CLECs.~~

~~4.3 INP Call Referral Announcements~~

~~4.3.1 Within forty-five (45) days after the Effective Date, Bell Atlantic will provide MCIIm a cost based cost estimate and proposed implementation schedule for the development and implementation of the capability to allow MCIIm to order all referral announcements, and specify the particular announcement from Bell Atlantic's standard set of call referral announcement options, on a per telephone number basis, for telephone numbers which MCIIm has ported from Bell Atlantic to MCIIm and for which INP measures, at MCIIm's direction, have been terminated. Upon MCIIm's acceptance of the cost estimate and proposed implementation schedule (adjusted as necessary to reflect any significant delay in such acceptance), Bell Atlantic will develop and implement said capability and MCIIm will pay the cost thereof, as set forth in the accepted cost estimate.~~

~~4.1 Engineering and Maintenance~~

~~4.1.1 Bell Atlantic and MCIIm will cooperate with the objective that the performance of trunking and signaling capacity shall be engineered and managed at Parity. Additional specific engineering and maintenance requirements shall apply as specified in this Agreement.~~